

## THE LUCAS INN NOW A RUIN.

**Burned to the Ground Early  
Saturday Morning.**

**CADY BLOCK ALSO DESTROYED.**

**All the Inhabitants of Mt. Eaton  
and the Surrounding Country  
Turned Out to Fight Flames  
and Save the Village—Not  
Much Insurance.**

The Lucas Inn, conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Lucas at Mt. Eaton, one of the oldest, best known and most popular hostleries of its kind in northern Ohio, and particularly popular with Massillon people, was burned to the ground early Saturday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Lucas, three boarders and Miss Lizzie Formey were asleep in the upper rooms when the fire broke out. They escaped unhurt. Some of the furniture on the first floor was saved. The loss to the proprietors of the inn will amount to more than \$5,000. The insurance on the building and its contents was about \$1,200. A building next to the inn owned by Garr Cady and occupied by a saloon and barber shop was also destroyed. The origin of the fire is unknown.

It was at about 1:30 Saturday morning when Mrs. M. T. Stauffer, who, with her sister, Miss Cheney, lives diagonally across the street from the Lucas Inn, saw a blaze of light reflected on the wall of her room. She ran to the window and saw flames sweeping upwards between the inn and the Cady building. At the same time Miss Esther Graber, who lives directly across the street, was awakened by the light of the fire. The screams of the two women aroused the neighborhood. The church bells were immediately rung, nearby residents were summoned by telephone and within a few minutes everybody within a radius of several miles was on the spot helping to fight the fire. Out came the old hand engine and the volunteer fire department with Dr. Enos Numbers at its head, organized a bucket brigade composed of men, women and children, and began throwing water pumped from all the cisterns in the vicinity. It was soon apparent that neither the inn nor the Cady building could be saved and efforts were directed to surrounding property. G. F. Graber's house and drygoods store across the street caught the several times and the stable of the Lucas Inn was in danger. If that had gone it would have been impossible to have saved the village, as the flames would have passed from it to the small frame house beyond, and so swept around the entire block. It was 3 o'clock before the tired villagers dared to stop throwing water. By that time the Lucas Inn was a mass of charred timbers and the Cady building a heap of ashes.

One of the guests at the inn Friday night was Alex. Fullerton, of Lodi, agent for the Ohio Farmers' Insurance Company. In a valise in his room was \$1,000 in cash. Mr. Fullerton forgot all about his money in the excitement until the flames had almost reached his room. Then he paid a boy \$10 to climb through the window by a ladder and secure the valise. Mr. Lucas succeeded in saving only a part of his household goods. Last week he put in about \$300 worth of new carpets and furniture in anticipation of the coming season of summer boarding. Whatever of this new furniture was on the ground floor was saved.

The Cady building was a frame, three story structure. Parker & Ingle ran the saloon; John Graber the barber shop. Neither firm saved anything. Mr. Cady, who owned the building, formerly occupied the rest of it as a dwelling. He had recently moved out. Mt. Eaton contains about four hundred people. It has a postoffice, several general stores, two churches, a school house, the usual blacksmith shop and a cheese factory. The Lucas Inn had made Mt. Eaton famous. Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Lucas were the immediate successors of its founders, the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Lucas. That this hotel had been carried on at the same location and had had only two landlords, father and son, in over seventy years, made it an institution unique according to the ideas of the bustling and changing West. The building was plainness itself, but was "spotless town" in every nook and corner. It had a fame all its own for good things to eat, and every one of the dishes was prepared under the eye of Mrs. Lucas herself and served at a long table in the home-like dining room. Some humorist a long time ago suggested that the

name of the village be changed to "Mt. Eating." Few Massillon people felt that the summer season had been properly begun until at least one drive had been taken to Mt. Eaton and at least one meal enjoyed at the Lucas Inn. Massillon, Canton, Akron and other cities sent boarders there every summer. Even in the winter some adventurous couples have found the cozy stove-heated parlor a delightful courtship place under the chaperonage of a kind host and hostess.

All day Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Lucas were busy storing the furniture and other belongings they had saved from the flames. They could not say anything regarding their future plans. The people of Mt. Eaton will be anxious to have the inn rebuilt. Mt. Eaton, they say, won't be Mt. Eaton without it.

As to the fire's origin, no one in the village knows anything about it. There were two saloons doing business and there has at certain times been much feeling against them. There has been no violent temperance agitation in Mt. Eaton for some time, however, and a rumor to the effect that someone set fire to the saloon in the Cady block is a rumor and nothing more.

## EXERCISES OF MEMORIAL DAY.

**Superintendent C. L. Cronebaugh to Deliver Address.**

**SERMON BY REV. JAMES JONES.**

**The Graves of Deceased Veterans Will be Decorated in the Morning—Exercises in the Armory in the Afternoon.**

At a meeting of Hart post, No. 134, Grand Army of the Republic, Friday evening, preliminary arrangements were made for the usual observance of Memorial day. A general committee of arrangements was named as follows: Comrades J. G. Hissong, E. P. Edgar and Benton Smith. This committee will select other committees to assist in the work. Mrs. Major McKinley tent, No. 1, Daughters of Veterans, will assist as usual.

Superintendent C. L. Cronebaugh, of the Massillon public schools, has been chosen to deliver the annual Memorial day address, which will be given in the Armory. The members of the post and Mrs. Major McKinley tent will attend divine services in the United Brethren church in West Tremont street on the Sunday evening preceding Memorial day. The Rev. James Jones, pastor, will preach a sermon in keeping with the occasion.

The general committee has not yet completed arrangements for the exercises of the day, but the usual procedure is anticipated, which includes a visit to St. Mary's and St. Joseph's cemeteries as well as the Massillon cemetery in the morning, when the graves of deceased veterans will be decorated. The Sons and Daughters of Veterans will have charge of decorating the soldiers' memorial monument and the Grand Army lot in the Massillon cemetery.

Hart post will meet again in two weeks, and after that meeting full details will be announced. The veterans express a desire that the citizens as a whole lend assistance to the proper observance of the day.

## OSTER PROCEEDINGS.

**Action Taken Against Eighteen Companies.**

Toledo, O., April 28.—(By Associated Press.)—Ouster proceedings were filed by the prosecuting attorney in the circuit court here today against the Standard Oil Company and seventeen affiliated companies, including oil and pipe line companies, the Lake Shore railroad, Hocking Valley, Toledo & Ohio Central and the Pennsylvania Company. The court was asked to appoint trustees for the creditors and stockholders.

## THREE BURNED TO DEATH.

**Victims Were Pupils in a Mission School.**

Charleston, W. Va., April 28.—(By Associated Press.)—Two sisters named Perry and a girl named McGinnis were burned to death last night in a fire which destroyed the Presbyterian mission school at Lawson, Raleigh county. They were boarding pupils. A lamp explosion caused the fire.

A lazy liver leads to chronic dyspepsia and constipation—weakens the whole system. Doan's Regulax (25 cents per box) corrects the liver, forces the stomach, cures constipation.

## PLANS FOR A NEW ENTRANCE

**Improvements Contemplated  
at the State Hospital.**

**STATE OFFICIALS ARE HERE.**

**Preliminary Plans are Being  
Made for the New Filtration  
Beds on the Farm Recently  
Purchased—Play was Given.**

Superintendent Eyman, of the Massillon state hospital, has worked out a plan of making the entrance to the hospital grounds more attractive, both for pedestrians and those in vehicles. The plan includes two semi-circular roadways with flowers and hedges on each side. At seventy-three feet from the center of the road leading into the grounds two cubes of stone two feet square will be laid. From these cubes, which will be set on the line of the hospital grounds and the roadway, the entrance will form a half circle on the outside and leave an opening twenty-five feet wide to drive through. At the inner entrance, where the road is only twenty-five feet wide, two stones five feet square and six feet high, with canopy tops, will be placed. On the outer part of the entrance between the two-foot cubes and the five-foot square stones at the inner entrance a hedge fence will be planted. Between the hedge fence line, and the main road through the entrance a section of land will be laid out for planting flowers and also will have a fine lawn. When the entrance is finished the opening at the street car tracks will be fifty feet wide. At the other end it will be only twenty-five feet in width. It will take a long time to finish the new entrance, but when the work is done, the lawn started and the flowers set out, the hospital will have one of the handsomest entrances of any institution in the state.

Assistant Engineer Schute, of Columbus, has been at work three days at the hospital laying out the proposed route of the sewers to the filtration beds on the new farm. Mr. Schute has finished his task and will return with the plans of the sewers to Columbus, where they will be considered by the Ohio state board of health. Chief Engineer E. C. Bradberry, of Columbus, was at the hospital on Friday with reference to the route of the sewers which were run by Mr. Schute. Mr. Bradberry will now prepare the preliminary plans for the sewers and filtration beds. The sewer pipes will be laid from the buildings down through the gully and over back of the house and barn on the new land just purchased, into the wheat field, where the filtration beds will be placed. It will probably be six or eight weeks before active work will begin on the sewers and filtration beds.

M. F. Edelman, electrician at the hospital, left Friday morning for Cleveland, where he will receive instructions as to the placing of an independent branch telephone system. Mr. Edelman will prepare the plans for the new telephone system and when finished will receive bids on them.

Superintendent Eyman and the hospital carpenter will leave some time next week for the Toledo hospital, where they will investigate that institution. The carpenter, as soon as he returns, will start building pens on the Doll farm near the canal. The Massillon state hospital had 1,100 hogs last fall, but cholera broke out and all but 85 died. At present there are 100 hogs in the old pens.

The realistic old homestead play entitled "The Brookdale Farm," given under the auspices of St. Joseph's school benefit association, was given at William McKinley hall at the hospital on Wednesday evening. The play was well given and received much applause from the patients. The play was given in place of the weekly card party.

The regular weekly dance was held on Friday evening at the state hospital. A number of Massillon people took advantage of the occasion, as not very many more will be given on account of warm weather.

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## OHIO'S COAL OUTPUT.

**One Million Tons More Than in  
Any Previous Year.**

Columbus, April 28.—The annual report of State Mine Inspector Harrison, filed with the governor today, shows that 1905 was a record year for coal production in Ohio.

The tonnage for 1905 amounted to 35,834,657 tons, representing a gain of over 1,000,000 tons over the year 1904. This decided gain in output was probably due to the increased demand for fuel, absence of strikes and lockouts of any consequence, and the general prosperity of the country at large manifested on every hand.

The eastern Ohio district, comprising the counties of Belmont, Harrison and Jefferson, where new and increased development has taken place to a marked degree within the past few years shows the greatest gains in the state.

Belmont exceeded any other county in output, producing 3,871,846 tons, a gain of more than 23,000 tons over Athens county, which for five years past ranked first in point of production. The machine mined coal amounted to 1,090,532 tons, and the pick 6,825,125 tons, representing a gain of seven per cent in the machine mined coal over 1904.

Belmont, Athens and Jefferson counties produced over 3,000,000 tons, Perry and Guernsey over 2,500,000 tons, and Jackson, Hocking and Tuscarawas over 1,000,000 tons each.

## STRUCK BY THE PENN. SHIFTER.

**Body of George Haggerty  
Found on the Track.**

**HAD BEEN INSTANTLY KILLED.**

**Haggerty Had Started to Walk  
to the W. & L. E. Station in  
Company With Albert Hose,  
Who was Also Struck by the  
Train.**

The body of George Haggerty, aged 40 years, was found between the Pennsylvania tracks, near the Freedom Oil Company's tanks, in South street, at 12:50 Thursday morning by Otto Moore, a brakeman on the night shifter. Death was evidently due to Haggerty's having been struck by a train some hours before.

The body was picked up by the shifter and taken to the Pennsylvania baggage rooms. Word was sent to Police Captain Getz and to John & Gordon's undertaking rooms. The latter took charge of the body. Haggerty must have been instantly killed, as he had a deep cut in the temple and other cuts and bruises on his head. His left arm was broken.

The deceased and Albert Hose had started for the Wheeling & Lake Erie station, as Mr. Hose had intended to go to Toledo on the 9:45 train. The men left the home of Frederick Hose in South street at 9:15 and went over the Pennsylvania tracks toward the Wheeling & Lake Erie station. It is thought that they were struck by the shifter at that time. Hose managed to get to the home of his brother-in-law, Jacob Baus, in Canal street and was later taken to the home of his parents in South street. He received a severe scalp wound and a bad cut on the right leg. The injured man is in a dazed condition and was unable to give a clear account of the accident.

Haggerty was a paper hanger and a painter, but had not done any work during the day. He had no relatives here. An effort is being made to locate members of his family, who are believed to live in Illinois. Hose had come down from Toledo to visit his parents. He is employed at the Toledo electric light plant and has a wife and daughter living in Toledo.

The coroner viewed Haggerty's body at 11 o'clock Thursday morning. He reserved his decision until later.

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## AWAKENED BY EARTHQUAKE.

**Mrs. E. D. Russell Tells of  
Her Experiences.**

**A LETTER FROM JOHN DUNN.**

**Mr. Dunn and Wife Gathered  
Up Their Valuables in a Sheet  
and Left Their Home on the  
Evening of the Earthquake  
Day—Home Now a Ruin.**

Mrs. Eleanor D. Russell, of this city, who spent the winter in California, and her cousin, Mrs. Sallie Keefe-Wade, of Oakland, Cal., reached Massillon Friday evening after a leisurely trip across the continent. Mrs. Russell and her cousin were still in Oakland when the earthquake which demolished San Francisco occurred Wednesday morning, April 18. They left for the East at about noon on that day. They were unable to send word of their safety to Massillon relatives until sometime Thursday.

Mrs. Russell says that she was awakened from a sound sleep at her cousin's house on that fateful Wednesday morning by the shaking of her bed. She knew at once what was happening. The house swayed back and forth, the chimneys tumbled and a grinding, crushing sound, never to be forgotten, fell upon her ears. The water pipes were broken and some brick-a-brac and china demolished. Mrs. Russell and Mrs. Wade had made all their arrangements to leave for Massillon that morning. At first they feared that they could not carry out their plans, but it was finally announced that their train would pull out a few hours later than its scheduled time. Across the bay they could see the flames and smoke of burning San Francisco and hear the deep detonations of the dynamite explosions.

**A LETTER FROM JOHN DUNN.**  
Mrs. T. H. Focke on Saturday received a copy of a letter written by her nephew, John R. Dunn, of San Francisco, telling of the earthquake experiences of his wife and himself. Mr. Dunn was born and brought up in Massillon. He spent several weeks with his relatives here last winter. The letter says in part:

"I shall start at the beginning of the awful dream. At 5:14 Wednesday morning I was awakened by the jarring convulsion of the room. For a second I was absolutely dazed, then I was thoroughly awakened to the situation by the statuettes 'Winged Victory' crashing on our piano, together with cries, breaking of glass, crashing of chimneys, bricks falling. Really the sound of those awful moments was worse than the feel.... The piano was thrown out about a foot from the wall, the statuette broken into a thousand pieces. A big vase, a wedding gift, thrown across the room and broken, a heavy brass jardiniere containing a big plant, resting on a sturdy tabourette, hurled to the ground and turned upside down. Now contrast this picture with one which I will draw. Our dining room with all our china, cut glass and rock crystal, not one scrap touched and nothing broken. It was perfectly remarkable!

"The fires at first did not seem very threatening, but in the afternoon the wind came up and made things rapidly worse. Then I began to feel that destruction might reach our hill after all.... so in the evening we put our best clothes in a sheet and did them up in a regular immigrant bundle, packed all our silver into a suitcase and started out for Katherine's (Mrs. Dunn's) sister's home near the Presidio, a three and a half mile walk. Words cannot describe the scene. The streets were as light as day, only such a red foreboding of day.... When we got to Katherine's sister's house we found it so twisted by the earthquake that it was uninhabitable, so we slept out in the woods. The next morning we were off bright and early to get the rest of our things, but when we got there our home was a mass of flames.

"It was a hard matter to get out of the city, but we finally secured a two-seated carriage and were driven to the Fort Mason wharf, and were then taken on board a government tug and taken to the ferry—thence to Berkeley."

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## CUBANS GIVE AID.

**Bill Introduced Appropriating  
Fifty Thousand Dollars.**

Havana April 28.—(By Associated Press.)—A bill has been introduced in the Cuban congress appropriating \$50,000 for the relief of the San Francisco sufferers.

## THE SCHOOL LEVY IS ELEVEN MILLS

**Action Taken by the Board  
Friday Night.**

**TO PAY OFF OLD INDEBTEDNESS**

**The Board Will Receive \$70,-  
000 Next Year—\$10,000 of  
This Will be Applied on an  
Indebtedness of \$23,000.**

A regular meeting of the board of education was held Friday evening with all members present except E. R. Albrecht. The most important transaction of the meeting concerned the making of the tax levy for next year. This was fixed at eleven mills by the unanimous vote of the members present.

The levy was divided as follows: Five and one-fourth mills for tuition fund, four and one-fourth mills for contingent fund, and one and one-half mills for the bond, interest and sinking fund. No levy was made for the building fund.

The levy of eleven mills will bring about \$70,000 into the board's treasury next year. Concerning the present situation of the school funds and the reason for making a higher levy for next year than is now in force, W. P. Fox, clerk of the board, said that at the present the board was paying six per cent interest on a debt of \$23,000, which was contracted by former boards.

"There are two ways to look at this debt," said Mr. Fox. "Either let it stand and continue to pay interest from year to year, or increase the tax levy a little for a few years and pay it off. The levy of eleven mills will give the board about \$10,000 to apply on the debt next year."

The subject was thoroughly discussed in the meeting. From present indications the board will be able to pay \$3,000 on the debt during the present year with money that has been saved by judicious management. If the levy of eleven mills is operative next year the debt will be reduced more than half in the next twelve months. During the year following the entire debt may be cancelled.

This means of meeting the situation seemed fairest to the board and the taxpayers and after Clerk Fox had explained the financial condition the levy was adopted.

The levy will divide the \$70,000 about as follows: Tuition fund, \$37,000; contingent fund, \$23,000; bond and interest fund, \$10,000.

The board feels that the danger of being compelled to borrow money for running expenses, as was necessary by former boards when the \$23,000 indebtedness was incurred, is now past, for the reason that the board has full power to make its own tax levy, which, however, must not exceed twelve mills. In former years the board of review had power to cut down the school tax levy, and such action was taken each year. The former boards of education placed all the blame of the necessity to borrow money for running expenses upon the board of review, simply because the board of review did cut down the tax levy from year to year. Clerk Fox, of the present board, has prepared a tabulated statement of the finances of the present year up to the present time and an estimate of the money that will be needed next year to run the schools. These are subject to inspection by any person.

The board also expressed its desire to refrain from building any more additions to school houses or incurring any expense under the head of building until the indebtedness has been paid off, and for this reason no levy was made for the building fund, which by law is one of the four stated funds for which school boards may make levies. President Stoner said that he hoped the board would be able to cancel its old indebtedness within the coming two years, and heartily favored the plan of increasing the levy to bring in money to wipe out the debt.

Bills were paid and the question of permitting pupils to make up back work during the summer was discussed, but definite action by which the board will furnish a school for so doing was not taken.



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Charles A. Bonaparte, secretary of the navy, said, in the course of an address delivered before the National Municipal League at Atlantic City on Thursday, that really first class men, as a rule, shun public employment in its higher grades, because public offices of great responsibility are generally, and grossly, unpaid. The laborer is worthy of his hire, and we can't expect to get the sort of service we desire and need unless we are willing to pay for it.

The wonderfully good order and lack of rioting that has prevailed in San Francisco is, according to dispatches, largely due to the fact that almost immediately after the catastrophe, stringent orders were issued prohibiting the sale or dispensation of liquor in any part of the city. The orders have been strictly enforced by the soldiers and policemen, and have not yet been repealed, though many retail stores in unburned districts are open for business. The wisdom of this measure is apparent and presents a stronger argument in favor of prohibition than is heard from many a lecture platform.

Fourteen students have been indefinitely suspended from Lafayette college, at Easton, Pa., by President Warfield. The students belong to the three upper classes, and last week hazed a number of freshmen, smearing the unfortunate with a sticky mixture of flour and water. Immediately after the suspension a meeting was held by members of the three classes, and resolutions were adopted requesting the faculty to reconsider its action in suspending the offenders. Unless a favorable reply is received, the students threaten to revolt. It's a pity that President Warfield hasn't one of those newly invented spanking machines at hand.

The Republican newspaper of Danville, Ill., has editorially announced that its candidate for the presidency to succeed Roosevelt is Joseph G. Cannon, and the Republican paper of Springfield, Ill., has made a similar announcement. Danville is bursting with civic pride, for it is the speaker's home town. The news traveled rapidly to Washington, chiefly by means of marked copies of the papers, and caused Uncle Joe to be overwhelmed with congratulations and inquiries. He did not deny the soft impeachment, nor did he confirm it, but a pleased smile is reported to have hovered about his lips, and a big white carnation ornamented his coat as he sauntered about the cloak rooms of the House. Uncle Joe is seventy, but that isn't worrying him much, for he intends holding a monster reception at the Arlington hotel on May 7 as a birthday celebration. It is expected by the people who want to see the speaker in the White House that at this reception it will be effectively shown that seventy is just the ripe age for a presidential candidate, and Uncle Joe will take his part in fostering the idea. But the surest indication that Mr. Cannon is a candidate for the presidential nomination is the fact that during the last few months he has kept his waistcoat buttoned, and the oldest living members do not remember any time previously when he affected such spruceness. If Uncle Joe has decided to spruce up and sail in, the other candidates had just better behave and hustle!

## THE LUCAS INN.

The Lucas Inn at Mt. Eaton is a ruin and Massillon is sorry for it, as are other countless friends in this and other neighborhoods. Mr. and Mrs. Lucas, the proprietors, have the sincere sympathy of all those who have tarried beneath their roof. Who that has ever driven up the main street of the hilltop village and turned into the grassy inn yard, will ever forget the cheerful greeting of mine host as he stepped forward to take charge of the horses, or the kindly welcome of Mrs. Lucas? And then the pleasant sojourn on the inn porch as the setting sun sent long shadows creeping up the dooryard and the delicious odor of broiling ham stole gently upon the grateful senses; the friendly faces round the supper table, the cheerful glow of the lamps, the delicious taste of the dishes that Lizzie and Susie brought steaming hot from the kitchen—who that has experienced these

things will not feel a keen pang of regret at learning of Saturday morning's fateful fire?

The people of Mt. Eaton want to see the inn rebuilt. The people of Massillon and other places will hope that their wishes may be carried out and that before long Mr. and Mrs. Lucas will again be dispensing the hospitality which has made their establishment justly famous.

## PLAY WAS A GREAT SUCCESS

"Brookdale Farm" Drew a Large Audience at Armory.

FOR ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL.

Local Players Took All the Parts and Each Won Meritorious Applause—Musical Numbers Were Also Given.

An audience that filled the Armory witnessed one of the best local talent plays ever seen in Massillon, Friday night, when "Brookdale Farm" was given for the benefit of St. Joseph's school.

Brookdale is a quiet place supposed to be in Vermont and the play deals with pastoral life as it is exemplified by young America of the present time. Love and romance are intertwined and the scene shifts for a short time from the quiet farm to Cripple Creek, Colo., with all of its rush and strenuous life. The play ends with a scene in the old home and love finally triumphs.

All the parts were taken by local players. A male quartette consisting of Messrs. Grabbill, Sonnhalter, Haag and Eckstein was loudly applauded. Miss Estella Segner and Clarence Haag were encored after their vocal solos. H. C. Foltz had charge of the stage arrangements and was stage manager.

The proceeds will be placed in the school fund of St. Joseph's church, to go towards the erection of a new school house in East South street within a few months. The cast of characters was as follows:

Squire Brooks.	Don P. Stroupe
Owner of the old dairy and farm.	
Roy Hart.	Bert Boerengen
A young farmer.	
Gilbert Dawson.	Oscar Sonnhalter
Mrs. Brooks's nephew.	
Ephraim Green.	Clarence Haag
A farm hand.	
Samuel Hapner.	George Eckstein
Sheriff of Spring County.	
Dick Willard.	Albert Grabbill
A tramp.	
Ben Holly.	Wendell Clure
Proprietor of Placer hotel.	
Mrs. Brooks.	Mrs. Albert Boerengen
Squire's wife.	
Marion Brooks.	Estella Segner
Their daughter.	
Nan Cummings.	Miss Carrie Eckstein
An adopted daughter.	
Villagers and Miners.	

The scenes were: Squire Brooks' farm, Brookdale, Vermont, sitting room, Squire Brooks' farm house, Placer hotel, Cripple Creek, Colorado and drawing room, Squire Brooks' home, Brookdale, Vermont.

## AN OPERA HOUSE.

S. Burd Has Asked That Plans be Drawn Up.

S. Burd, the real estate dealer, has asked a local architect to draw up plans for a ground floor opera house, which shall not have a balcony or a gallery, but which shall have a seating capacity of at least 2,000 thousand persons. Mr. Burd said Saturday that he was not ready to announce the probable location of the structure, but that the building would be centrally located and not far from the business section, if present plans were carried out. The house will not be along a street car line.

Mr. Burd said that he had not definitely decided to build an opera house, but had gone so far as securing a site, which he now owns, and has asked for complete plans, which he desires in his possession in a very short time.

"If I decide to build an opera house I want to commence work in a few weeks and have it ready for next season," was Mr. Burd's comment.

## ROBBING THE FARMERS.

Striking Miners Killing Cattle and Poultry.

Steenbenville, O., April 28.—(By Associated Press.)—The farmers in six townships in this county have petitioned the county court for constabulary to protect them from armed bodies of foreign striking miners who kill and carry off beehives, sheep and poultry.

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## Graphic Story of An Eyewitness

Newspaper Woman's Thrilling Experiences In San Francisco's Fearful Disaster.

Helen Dare Describes Frightful and Pathetic Scenes Which Followed the Earthquake—Vivid Portraiture of Panic in the Quaking Interior.

Helen Dare, who escaped on April 19 from the earthquake stricken city of San Francisco to Oakland and thence to Stockton, telegraphed to the Los Angeles Examiner the following thrilling account of her own personal experience in the Golden Gate city's fearful disaster:

Like thousands of others, I was awakened out of peaceful sleep into a paralysis of fear by the violent and continued rocking of bed, of floor, of walls, of furniture, by the sounds of crashing chimneys, falling ornaments and pictures, breaking glass and the startled screams of women and children.

As if with a sudden impact I felt my bed struck from the north and then heave violently. I jumped out, putting my hands out to steady myself, but the opposite walls seemed to move away from me.

## Floor Rocked Like a Boat in a Gale.

The floor rocked like a boat on a choppy sea, the violence of the motion increased and seemed ever and again to take a fresh start. It seemed as if it would never end, and yet it lasted but two minutes. My young son came running from his room, and, clasped in each other's arms, we stood in the doorway of my room waiting, waiting. With a relaxing quiver, like the passing of a sigh, the heaving earth and billowing floor sunk into repose.

We dressed, and through the disarranged furniture, over the broken glass and fragments of ornaments we made our way out. The streets were full of persons in every stage of undress and excitement, one young mother in her night dress clasping her eight-months-old baby in her arms and trying to warm it by wrapping her thin lawn garment around it.

A few blocks from Mayor Schmitz's home and a block from Mrs. Eleanor Martin's, the house where I have been stopping, is the western addition, where, owing to the hills of rock formation, the damage was least.

The swarming persons climbed the hills, their first fear being that a tidal wave would follow, and all eyes were on the bay, shining in the morning light, but not even the sea wall of the land that the Fair estate is reclaiming from the ocean was hidden by water.

The great gas tank near the water's edge was in flames, and many believed the disturbance had come from the explosion of that.

I set out at once to see what damage had been done, finding it more appalling with every block I walked. My way led along Pacific and Van Ness avenues, through the district of splendid homes of wealth and fashion, and not one of the long lines of imposing houses but had suffered severely.

The home of John D. Spreckels at Pacific avenue and La Grana street is one of the finest and proudest in the city, and on it the parapet had cracked and crumbled and fallen like so much spun sugar out of a wedding cake. Blocks of cement had fallen from the entrance ceiling, and from one of the upper windows a wan, white face peered from the rich lace curtains at Rudolph Spreckels' handsome house at Gough and Pacific avenue. The lawn was riven from end to end in great gashes, the ornamental Italian rail leading to the imposing entrance was a battered heap.

Rudolph Spreckels, his wife, his little son, his mother-in-law and sisters-in-law and maid servants had set up their household on the sidewalks. The women were wrapped in rugs and coverlets and huddled in easy chairs hastily rolled out.

They were having their morning tea on the sidewalk and the silver service was spread on the stone coping. At house after house of the wealthy and fashionable this scene was repeated.

Turning into Van Ness avenue, there on the left was St. Bridget's stone church at Broadway and Van Ness, with its tall towers fallen and the stone walls hanging loosely from the top. There on my right, a couple of blocks away, was St. Luke's church, a total wreck, its tower of stone just a heap of waste. The churches have suffered greatly. St. Patrick's and St. Dominick's are wrecked, and the old Mission Dolores of the Franciscan Fathers has the ancient tiles of its roof crushed in, though the adobe walls still stand, but the steeple of the new church beside it in toppling over crushed in its roof.

## Fashionables Flee In Bare Feet.

All along the two avenues of fashion not a brick chimney was left standing. In every block there are tons and tons of wreckage. Claus Spreckels' home on Van Ness avenue had its cornices and parapet crumbled like a pie crust. Walter Hobart's house, that was built for Amy Crocker when she became Mrs. Porter Ashe, has all one side wrecked.

The St. Dunstan, at Sutter and Van

Ness, one of the smartest apartment houses, built of stone, has its top story tumbled off and its solid walls cracked. At McNutt's hospital, nearly opposite the St. Dunstan, on Sutter street, the patients who could be moved had been brought to the door and sidewalk, and anxious inquirers were rushing up to get news of dear ones within who are bedridden or recently operated upon.

The new national bank on Polk street, near Sutter street, is a wreck, with its plate glass windows in splinters on the pavements. All Sutter street as I look ahead seems an avenue of ruin. The Granada, a big fashionable hotel, has its top and front shattered. Whole houses, I can see, are tumbled down. I must pick my way among the middle of the streets between the heaps of ruins. I find the streets swarming with people, white, wide eyed, still awed, and others, again, exceedingly voluble in their terror, telling to every one their story of what has happened to himself.

Van Ness avenue is swarming. There are no cars, of course. Every one must walk who has no automobile or carriage or wagon. Automobiles are tearing and honking madly in every direction, filled with frightened men and women and children, some dressed as though for a promenade, others partly dressed or wrapped in bedclothes. Never were stranger automobile parties than these.

I see one little woman carrying her baby, her tear wet face clinging to its baby cheeks, and she wears only her nightdress and a kimono, and her tender bare feet pattered across the sidewalk from a mansion door to an automobile. Here again is an old, old woman with wrinkled face, paper white, somebody's grandmother she is, and she is being trundled along in an invalid chair, her family, with hastily made bundles of clothes and valuables, all about her.

It is only when I get as far as the top of Leavenworth street and look down into the city's heart that I can get a glimmering of what an awful thing an earthquake is to a city. Great clouds of smoke rise dull and dark on every side and red angry flames shoot long tongues through them.

## Mighty Roar of Flames.

I hear the roar and crackling of fire unrestrained, and with every blow I feel the heat on my cheeks and the cinders and ashes sifting down upon me. When I come to Powell street I see the St. Francis hotel still standing and the cinders and brands pouring upon its roof. Remember this is only 7 o'clock. In Union square the grass is covered, every inch of it, with frightened, huddled people who have sought the open.

From Powell street down the shop windows are broken and the window displays lie exposed in the drug stores with broken bottles trickling their contents over everything, in the dry goods and millinery shops offering loot to every grasping hand. Kearney street and Montgomery street are highways of confusion.

The poor south of Market street, thus suddenly thrown out, are in exodus toward Telegraph hill, dragging and trundling such household goods as they have managed to save. Here are boys and a thin, flat chested woman trundling a sewing machine along. A drawer of it falls out, and they halt to gather up the precious scattered spoils. Poor little seamstress, this is her all now.

Here is a wagon fitted with bedding and cooking utensils, a crying woman and a baby on the seat, a birdcage dangling at the tail and two men taking the part of horses. Then a crazy highbacked hack, a white faced woman dragged from her sickbed in it, fainting in the arms of another woman.

## Children Turn Thieves.

Then a big road machine screeching along, a red, fat faced man standing up in it mopping his brow, his eyes searching for the building that holds his business, and little street boys darting in and out, snatching what they can get, throwing that away and snatching more, like children wantonly picking wild flowers. I see one little creature capering with three bats on his head that he had taken from a show window.

Before the banks and safe deposit vaults the men and boys employed there are busy pulling out drawers full of ledgers and valuable papers, carrying them away in their hands, loading them into wagons and even into wash buckets.

On the step of one bank, with the fire only a block away, I see a man wringing his hands and crying aloud: "Will he never come? Will he never come with the combination? My God, why doesn't he come?"

I can't get to the Postal telegraph office for the dead line of the police and the crowd. I find the Western Union wrecked, with bewildering clerks repeating "All wires down! All wires down!" to the pale faced and dirty faced men and women who want to send messages out reassuring their friends.

Every few seconds there is a booming sound that adds to the horror, the confusion and fearfulness of the scene. It comes from the dynamite detonations where they are trying to check the spread of the fire by blowing up buildings.

A theatrical man comes running along telling how the Grand Opera House has fallen in and is on fire with all Corried's grand opera settings and the singers' beautiful things going up in smoke. He laughs idiotically, poor chap, and says, "Sudden close of the opera season, isn't it?"

The news paper offices still stand, but this is only 7 o'clock, and with their power cut off there is no way to get off the extras that would sell like hot

takes. I see before the door of every one my fellows gathered in silence, for once, and dazedly looking on. It is too awesome a scene even for the newspaper men.

I try to make my way to the ferry, first down one street and then down another leading to the water front. Each one as I try, from Post to Washington, is closed by fire or wreckage, and there is no way through. On Washington street, opposite the old postoffice, a building has completely collapsed, and under its edges are horses struggling and dying. At last I find an open way on the next street, and, with the warmth of the blaze of water front saloons on my back, I hurry across the upheaved street and twisted car tracks. This is made ground, and the earthquake played with it as a child plays with a cardboard, cracking, creaking and bending it.

On the bay side of the water front the old docks have tumbled and look like so much kindling wood. The tower of the ferry building is destroyed and broken. The passengers stream aboard the ferryboat—the only boats running are the Southern Pacific—and turn to look back upon their city. From this point there is something colossal in the disaster that has befallen. A great cloud is rising magnificent and overwhelming in its proportions, growing ever black and blackest toward the ground, spreading wider and wider. The red flames shoot skyward through it and but emphasize its density and violence.

## Looks Back on Doomed City.

The Fairmount's marble walls gleam orange through the flames. The Call building rises like a sentinel, and far beyond you can make out through the murky black splashes upon the green, the people hurrying to the San Bruno hills. On the Pine street hill I can see a row of old ramshackle cottages that have slipped from their foundations, into the street, apparently intact. On Telegraph hill, on the highest place, the sky line is marked with a garb of up-ended fringe of the people who have sought refuge up there at the top of the streets.

There are no trains moving other than the Oakland local when we get to Oakland, for there are no wires to send train dispatches on. At last a train moves out to Stockton, taking its chance, and a few venture on it. It is 10 o'clock, and we have nothing to eat and drink, but we give no thought to that. I plan to make my way to San Jose and telegraph from there, but by 11 o'clock we know that San Jose is wiped out.

A few wan, red eyed refugees from San Jose are coming to San Francisco, and we meet them at Niles. "San Jose is flat on the ground," "San Jose is gone!" These are the messages they bring. All brick buildings are down there.

A man who was in the St. James hotel there tells me how the side fell out of the room he was sleeping in and the brick chimney fell in upon his bed, and yet he escaped.

The security of the rails was suspected, and the train traveled cautiously. From East Oakland nothing was known of incoming trains or the condition of the road. Collisions were imminent, and every curve was breathlessly rounded. Each bridge and trestle was a new danger, and when the train crept into the Altamont tunnel it seemed as if no one breathed in any of the dark cars, and a sigh swept through when the daylight gleamed at the other end. Coming from Oakland to Stockton the effects of the earthquake were apparent as far as La-trope, lessening as we drew away from the mole. Our train only crept along at times.

## New Topmasts.

Never in the history of spring traffic in and about New York harbor have so many brand new topmasts been seen on sailing craft of all descriptions as this year, says the New York correspondent of the Pittsburgh Dispatch. Scarcely a sail carrier, from oyster boat to full rigged ship, has been shunted about the harbor for the last few weeks which did not show from one to two lofty sticks shining in all the splendor of new dressing and in marked contrast to the dingy and weather beaten masts which held them aloft. They are a "shining" commentary on the havoc played by winter gales among all classes of shipping along the north Atlantic coast. Captain Nicholas Reilly of the Ellis Island ferry counted in a single day recently fifty-three sailing vessels on which were forty-seven new topmasts, some vessels having two, others only one. He made a note of it in his log and has been trying to figure what the total loss to sailing vessels in lofty spars has been on the basis of forty-seven to fifty-three.

## Mark Twain on Phonetic Spelling.

Mark Twain does not think that reformed spelling will be adopted, says Harper's Literary Gossip. "And I'm sorry as a dog," he says, "for I do love revolutions and violence." It would take only two years to make the change, he estimates. "To begin with, the nation would be in a rage. It would break into a storm of scoffs, jeers, sarcasms, cursings, vituperations, and keep it up for months, but it would have to read the papers. It couldn't help itself. By and by and gradually the offensive phonetics would lose something of their strange and uncanny look; after another by and by they would lose all of it and begin to look rather natural and pleasant; after a couple of years of this the nation would think them handsome, sane and expressive and would prefer them to any other breed of spelling, for unto the eye that can make a haystack hoopskirt beautiful any other conceivable horror is an easy job."

## Women as Well as Men Are Made Miserable by Kidney and Bladder Trouble.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, discourages and lessens ambition; beauty, vigor and cheerfulness soon disappear when the kidneys are out of order or diseased.

Kidney trouble has become so prevalent that it is not uncommon for a child to be born afflicted with weak kidneys. If the child urinates too often, if the urine scalds the flesh, or if, when the child reaches an age when it should be able to control the passage, it is yet afflicted with bed-wetting, depend upon it, the cause of the difficulty is kidney trouble, and the first step should be towards the treatment of these important organs. This unpleasant trouble is due to a diseased condition of the kidneys and bladder and not to a habit as most people suppose.

Women as well as men are made miserable with kidney and bladder trouble, and both need the same great remedy. The mild and the immediate effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It is sold by druggists, in fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles. You may have a sample bottle by mail free, also a Home of Swamp-Root pamphlet telling all about Swamp-Root, including many of the thousands of testimonial letters received from sufferers cured. In writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure and mention this paper. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

## MASSILLON MARKET

(This report is corrected daily.)  
The following is the paying price in Massillon, Saturday, April 28, '06:

Country butter, per lb.	20-22
Eggs, per dozen	10
Chickens, live, per lb.	8-10
Chickens, spring, dressed	12-14
Chickens, dressed	1-13
Potatoes, per bushel	55

## GRAIN MARKETS.

Following are the paying prices:  
Wheat ..... 84  
Hay, loose, per ton ..... \$9 to \$10  
Hay, baled, per ton ..... \$9 to \$10  
Oats, per bushel ..... 32  
Corn, per bushel ..... 50

## BY WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

Steamer Communicates Across the Atlantic Ocean.

New York, April 28.—(By Associated Press)—The new French steamer La Provence, while in mid ocean, was in telegraphic communication at the same time both with Poldhun, England, and Cape Cod.

## GREEN SEAL PAINT

Is used by the best painters through out the land—they, as a rule, are discriminating folks. For sale by Hawk Hardware Co.

"Want" column ads pay Try it.

## Sheriff's Sale.

Case No. 17,481.  
The State of Ohio, }  
Stark County, ss. }  
Clarence W. Stansbury } Order of Sale.  
Josiah M. Stansbury, et al. }  
By virtue of an order of sale in partition, issued by the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of Stark County, Ohio, and to me directed, I will offer for sale at public auction on the premises, on

Saturday, June 2nd, 1906,  
the following described real estate, to-wit:  
Being the west half of the northwest quarter of Section Thirty-Five (35), in Tuscarawas Township, Stark County, Ohio, containing eighty (80) acres, subject to the coal lease on said premises held by A. C. Stansbury et al. the benefits under said coal lease to pass to said Stansbury et al. and to be sold after the confirmation of sale. Said premises to be sold free of widow's dower.  
Appraised at Five Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$5,200.00).  
TERMS:—One half cash upon confirmation of sale, one-half in one year, secured by mortgage with interest at 6 per cent. per annum.  
Sale to commence at 10 o'clock a. m.  
R. FRANK WILSON, Sheriff  
JOHN C. MORGAN, Attorney

## Sealed Proposals

For building a School House. Office of Township Clerk, Perry Township, Stark County, O.

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Education of Perry Township until 12 o'clock noon on Thursday, May 17, 1906.

For building a school house on the lot situated in sub-district No. 2, according to the plans and specifications on file in said office. Each bid must contain the name of every person interested in same and be accompanied by a certified check for \$500.00 as a guarantee that if the bid is accepted a contract will be entered into and the performance of it properly secured. The bid for each kind of material called for by the specifications must be stated separately and the price of each given, and the price of labor must also be separately stated. None but the lowest responsible bid will be accepted, and the board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.  
By order of the Board of Education.  
FRANK NORWOOD, Clerk.

## Pennsylvania LINES

## EXCURSIONS

—TO—

Los Angeles

City of Mexico

In April and May

Des Moines

Louisville

St. Paul

In May

Boston

In June

San Francisco

In June and July

Denver

In July

For information about excursion fares and particulars about Pennsylvania Lines passenger service, consult

F. L. McEWEN, Ticket Agent, Massillon, O.



## DANGER FROM WALLS

Wind Hurls Tottering Ruins in  
San Francisco Crashing  
Into the Streets.

## PEDESTRIANS BARELY ESCAPE

Location of Wholesale Houses in  
Oakland Causes Anxiety on Part of  
Mayor—Further Confiscation of  
Goods Prohibited by Gen. Greely.

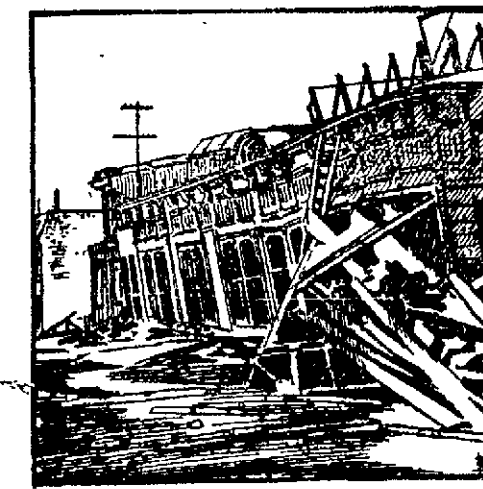
San Francisco, April 28.—A trifle less than four square miles was burned over by the fire that followed the earthquake of April 18, according to City Engineer Woodward, who has completed an official map of the burned area. There have been various statements as to the area of the burned quarter of the city, some estimates making the extent of the fire 15 square miles. Carefully figured out from official measurements and maps, the burned area is a small fraction less than four square miles, or about 2,500 acres.



SAN FRANCISCO FLATS SUNK ONE STORY INTO GROUND.

A strong wind that blew over the city carried to the ground a number of crumbling walls that had been partly disintegrated by the fire. The falling of these walls was a danger to the great number who crowded into the city to view the ruins. The walls of a building at Stockton and Sutter streets fell with a terrible crash. A number of pedestrians and a party of men and women in an automobile had difficulty in getting out of the way of the shower of bricks. The outer wall of a building at Market and Geary streets, where was once the Richelieu saloon, fell outward, just as hundreds of people from the Oakland ferryboat were wending their way along Market street. Several persons were struck by bricks but no one was seriously injured.

Relic Hunters Find Treasure.  
Relic hunters are reaping a harvest by digging among the ruins of the Japanese and Chinese bazaars. Hundreds of persons have visited these ruins where assiduous stirring of ashes yielded profits that are more than worth the labor. Vases of satsuma and cloisonne ware, brasses and bronze ornaments that in the days before the fire commanded high prices, are carried away by relic hunters in large numbers. Six-shooters of the kind formerly carried by hired assassins of the Chinese quarter are found in great quantities.



RUINS OF VALENCIA HOTEL, WHERE SEVENTY-FIVE PERSONS WERE KILLED.

The question of resumption of wholesale business in San Francisco was taken up by the citizens' committee. Thomas McGee said that wholesalers in large numbers were settling in Oakland and that there was great danger that this settlement might be permanent, those who applied for locations there being required to take out leases for five years. The mayor said this movement must be stopped at all hazards and that every facility must be afforded wholesalers to open temporary quarters in San Francisco.

The only limitation placed by the authorities was that the building should not be more than one story in height. The erection of permanent buildings must await the forming of the new building laws. The mayor appointed a special committee on wholesalers to aid in establishing wholesale houses in San Francisco. Former Chief of Police Wittman of the committee on resumption of business said there were now 300 retail stores of various kinds in operation in San Francisco. The obtaining of stocks for these stores was still a matter of serious problem. There had been unwillingness to open warehouses for the delivery of goods for fear of further military confiscations. Mayor Schmitz informed Mr. Sproul

that Gen. Greely had issued an order that there should be no further confiscations under any circumstances.

City and railroad officials and invited guests filled the first street car started on the run across the city today. Mayor Schmitz acting as motor-man. Everywhere the sight of the car was greeted with cheers from thousands of pedestrians. A continuous service was reestablished later in the day on several of the cross town lines and thousands of people were carried free of charge.

Youthful Guardsman in Trouble.  
San Francisco, April 28.—The first arrest for alleged indiscretion and reckless shooting by members of the state militia which, it is asserted, have made the streets in certain sections of the city controlled by the national guard unsafe after the earthquake, was made shortly before midnight when Ernest Wilder, a military sentry, was taken in custody and disarmed by Capt. B. F. Rittenhouse, of the United States marine corps, who turned him over to the police.

Capt. Rittenhouse charged Wilder, who is from Visalia and a private in Company E, Sixth regiment, N. G. C., with leaving his post and "shooting up" the district commanded by Rittenhouse. The marines patrol the best residence part of the city left untouched by the fire and are extremely jealous of the splendid order maintained without unnecessary harshness or stoppage of citizens whose business requires them to be on the streets after dark. For several nights there has been considerable shooting in the vicinity of Ellis, Eddy, Geary and Fillmore streets where the districts of the militia and the marines touch. It became so unsafe on the streets that the police refused to go into that district patrolled by the militia, declaring that they were afraid of being shot. It was common for the militia sentries to stop even policemen. Policeman Barrett was relieved of his revolver and handcuffs and at another time Lieutenant of Police Wright was held up in full uniform.

Arrested by Police  
Half a dozen shots were fired about 11 o'clock last night and half an hour later while Capt. Rittenhouse was sitting on his horse in front of the central police station at Bush and Fillmore streets, making a personal inspection of his posts, the sharp crack of a rifle was heard again. He hastily rode in the direction of the shot and returned in a few minutes with Wilder, who, he declared, had entered the district patrolled by the marines and had there fired several shots. Wilder's post was on Geary street, near Fillmore street. He did not deny shooting but asserted he had fired



STREET SCENE AFTER FIRE.

but once. Capt. Rittenhouse took Wilder's rifle from him and turned him over to Lieutenant of Police Wright. The militiaman was apparently so badly frightened and confused that it was with difficulty that Lieut. Wright got a coherent tale from him. He said he saw a movement in the darkness which he took to be a mad dog and fired. He was not certain but what it was a man he had shot but whatever it was he was sure that his aim had been true.

Victim Only a Pet Dog.  
"If I have killed a man may God bless him," exclaimed the frightened sentry. In a very apologetic tone he assured the police that he was only 20 years old—a mere youth—practically a raw recruit in the service and had no intention of hurting any one. Lieut. Wright sarcastically informed Wilder that he evidently was afraid of his shadow. Several policemen were sent with Wilder to make an investigation and ascertain what he had shot. On Geary street near Fillmore they found the victim of the sentry's bullet, a small pet dog. Finding that he had not killed a man Wilder gave a deep sigh of relief and quickly regained his composure.

Lieutenant Wright then arraigned Wilder in strong language, declaring that it was such reckless shooting at every movement in the dark which had made the city unsafe after night and advised the militiaman to go back to the farm. Wright intended to release Wilder and send him back to his post but Capt. Rittenhouse remonstrated and said he did not propose to have a militia sentry "shoot up" his district, alarm the neighborhood and have the blame laid on marines. Wilder was taken to the headquarters of his company at Gough and Sutter streets and turned over to Corporal Harms, who placed him under arrest and sent him to the guardhouse.

Insurance Reform Assured.  
Albany, N. Y., April 28.—All of the nine bills of the special insurance investigating committee are now state laws. Gov. Higgins has signed the bill generally amending the insurance law and anti-perjury bill.

## LAST EFFORT FAILS

Hard Coal Operators Reject  
Both Proposals Made by  
Miners' Committee.

## REFUSE AN ADVANCE IN WAGES

Say Coal Industry Will Not Bear It  
and Exhibit Solicitude for Consum-  
ing Public—Profit on Coal Only  
Twenty Cents Per Ton.

New York, April 28.—The anthracite mine operators, through their sub-committee of seven, at a meeting here, drew up a reply to the latest proposition of the miners for the adjustment of the differences in the anthracite field in which they refuse to modify their position heretofore announced. The operators call upon the miners to renew for a period of three years the award of the anthracite strike committee or else to accept the operators' proposition that the strike committee arbitrate the question as to what changes, if any, shall be made in the scale of wages fixed by the commission in its original award. The miners have heretofore declined this offer. Addressing President Mitchell and others of the miners' sub-committee the operators in their reply say:

We observe that you reject our proposition of arbitration by the strike committee. You speak of it as a suggestion that we first arbitrate to ascertain whether there is anything to arbitrate, and then restrict within narrow limits the scope of the investigation. This statement of the proposition is erroneous. Our offer was to submit to the members of the strike committee the question whether any changes in conditions have occurred since the award of the commission requiring that the award should be modified as to wages and adjustment of complaints, and, if so, how it should be changed. You will observe, therefore, that your statement was decidedly inaccurate.

Say Questions Are Settled.  
This proposition was in accordance with the view which we constantly urged that the award of the commission should be deemed conclusive as to any facts or issues within its scope. It is clear that this procedure would tend to dignify and strengthen the process of arbitration rather than as you suggest, bring it into disrepute and ridicule. The latter result would follow if arbitration should never be regarded as final, but simply as a basis for further endless controversy. We regret, therefore, that you should have rejected what would clearly be the fair and logical course regarding any arbitration in the premises.

Your letter contains nothing definite with reference to the duration of the arrangement which you propose. It suggests that the same "continue for a period to be mutually determined by our joint committees." We have already twice stated that in the interest of the industry and of the public any result now reached should continue for a period of three years. This was the period fixed in the submission to the strike commission for the purpose of avoiding constant disturbances in the industry and in the present case, as we have already suggested, it is desirable so that the considerations incident to a political campaign may have as little weight as possible. In the absence of any statement as to that duration, your propositions are, therefore, incomplete.

Based on Wrong Premises.  
We observe that, as you suggest, you have abandoned all the various demand contained in your original communication and that your present propositions differ entirely therefrom and concern merely the matter of wages. These propositions seem to be based upon the impression that wages in the anthracite industry are unduly low. Even before the advances which were made by its award the strike commission found to the contrary. It was claimed that the earnings of the anthracite workers were less than those of the workers in the bituminous fields. The commission found that there has been a failure of testimony to support this proposition.

We do not find that the propositions we are considering, to wit, that the present rate of wages of mine workers in the anthracite region is lower than is paid in other occupations requiring equal skill and training is supported. Moreover, it is established by figures contained in the report of the secretary of internal affairs of the state of Pennsylvania, for 1904, that the average yearly earnings of classes of anthracite mine workers are much greater than those of the bituminous employees in that state. Inasmuch as the two industries are so largely competitive, the disparity of wages cannot safely be further increased.

Operators' Profit Small.  
The operators, after giving figures in detail, say to accept the sliding scale of wages proposed by the miners would mean an increase in the price of coal to the public of 36 cents a ton. The present profit to the operators, they say, is but 20 cents per ton. The letter continues:

But if we disregard the sliding scale and assume that you simply mean to add ten cents per ton as the final increase in cost, this would result in increasing the wages of our employees \$6,100,000 per annum; that is, ten cents per ton on 61,000,000 of output. You say, "It will not result in imposing additional burdens upon the coal consuming public." How can this be? Where is the \$6,100,000 to come from? We have shown you that in the largest companies the profit without interest and royalty has yielded less than three per cent on the capital invested. The operators therefore

cannot afford to pay this large annual increase "without imposing additional burdens upon the coal consuming public."

Your propositions are wholly inconsistent with our position in the premises, from which we have not varied. The strike commission decided what wages were proper on the basis of the domestic sizes selling at \$4.50 per ton. It is decided also that for each advance of five cents in price, wages would increase one per cent. The minimum rates of compensation were settled as the proper rates when coal sells for \$4.50 per ton, and the sliding scale was arranged as the increase in compensation which was proper as the price advanced.

No Increase in Profit.  
We have offered to refer to arbitration by the strike commission the question "what change, if any, should be made in these conditions, but this offer you have rejected. You have stated no facts varying from those passed upon by the commission. The advances made by the strike commission have practically absorbed the increase in price. Therefore there has been no increase in the profits of the business upon which could be based any claim for increased wages. These considerations are all more important because, as we have shown, your proposition, if it included the sliding scale, would add 35 cents per ton to the cost of the domestic sizes and would increase the aggregate cost to the public of the entire product in the amount of over \$12,000,000.

We note what you say with reference to the hazard incident to the employment of the contract workers. No one can regret more deeply than ourselves the accidents to which you refer. That matter was fully presented to the strike commission and had due weight in fixing the existing wages.

## DON'T BOTHER UNCLE JOE.

Speaker Cannon Asserts That He Has  
No Presidential Bee.

Washington, April 28.—In conversation today Speaker Cannon let drop a few sentences of philosophy on presidential booms and bees which make interesting reading. The discussion was anything but an official statement but the Speaker afterward consented to have it enclosed in quotation marks.

"If the presidency is not to be had for the asking," he began, "it would be ridiculous for any man to decline what had not been offered to him, especially an office which no man ever has, possibly never will, decline if offered by the authority of one of the great political parties of the country. So far as I am concerned, I would rather do my duty here as speaker to the house and help work out policies to bring the greatest good to the greatest number of our people than to be president."

"The campaign to come next fall must be a united one on the part of all Republicans and there must not be injected into it the personal ambitions of any man. We must not only elect the next house but we must conclude the next session of this congress in a manner satisfactory to a majority of the people. It would be wise for us all to attend to the work immediately in hand before we enter upon the work of selecting a presidential candidate."

"The presidential bee is not buzzing in my head or about my ears and I do not expect to be afflicted with the buzzing of that insect. If as representative and speaker I am able to contribute in the performance of my duties to the promotion of policies and the enactment of legislation which shall bring the greatest good to the greatest number, the cup of my ambition will be full."

## TARIFF UNDER DISCUSSION.

Democratic Floor Leader Makes Two-  
Hour Speech in House.

Washington, April 28.—The tariff debate, which has been precipitated upon the house through the speeches of Mr. Boutell (Ills.) and Mr. Hepburn (Ia.), was continued by Mr. Williams (Miss.), the minority leader. For two hours Mr. Williams stood the fire of the Republicans, holding the attention of the members throughout his presentation of the Democratic doctrine of tariff for revenue only. Without concluding, owing to his physical condition, Mr. Williams will finish his address today.

The house passed an emergency appropriation bill carrying \$170,000 for the benefit of the sufferers at San Francisco and the employment of laborers at Mare Island navy yard. In the senate there was more discussion of the necessity for fixing a day for a vote on the rate bill and Mr. Williams gave notice that after next Monday he would insist that the senate shall proceed to vote if senators are not prepared to speak.

Little Coal Being Mined.  
Columbus, O., April 28.—Chairman John H. Winder of the operators of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, has given out reports received from the executive officers of the operators' association in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. The report shows that 15 per cent of the possible tonnage of the state of Ohio is at work, that 6 per cent is at work in Indiana and 7 per cent in Illinois. He said that the price of coal was decreasing.

Royalty Has Stormy Voyage.  
Naples, April 28.—King Edward and Queen Alexandra have arrived here from Messina after a stormy voyage. It is feared that they will be unable on account of the weather to make their proposed ascension of Mt. Vesuvius.

Drydock Enters Suez Canal.  
Port Said, Egypt, April 28.—The United States drydock Deway, on her way to the Philippines islands in tow, has entered the Suez canal.

## POISON IN STOMACH

German Instructor at Harvard  
Charged With Murder  
of Sick Wife.

## DEFENDANT IS NOT IN CUSTODY

Chicago Authorities Asked to Appre-  
hend Him If They Can Locate Him.  
Wife Had Become Mother Only  
Two Weeks Before Her Death.

Cambridge, Mass., April 28.—The Cambridge police last night issued a warrant for the arrest of Erich Muentner, an instructor in German at Harvard university, on a charge of murdering his wife in this city about two weeks ago. It is alleged that Mrs. Muentner's death was caused by arsenic. The body was taken to Chicago on April 17, but the case was not made public until last evening.

Muentner's wife was formerly Miss Leone K. Krembs of Chicago.

The attention of the authorities was called to the case just after the woman's death April 16. Ten days before that time a child was born to Mrs. Muentner, who was attended by a faith cure doctor and by two nurses of the same cult. The physician was a Mrs. Nicholson of Winchester. The nurses are both residents of Cambridge, Miss Case and Miss Derrick. Some time after the child was born two regular physicians, Drs. Frederick W. Taylor and Herbert McIntyre, were called. Both decided that Mrs. Muentner was suffering from some ailment of the stomach. They prescribed for her, but later it is alleged, withdrew because they ascertained their directions were not being followed. Mrs. Muentner died April 16.

Muentner applied to Dr. McIntyre for his signature to the certificate of death but Dr. McIntyre decided that the case needed investigation and notified the medical examiner, who performed an autopsy and sent the stomach to Prof. W. F. Whitney, of the Harvard medical school. Muentner and the two nurses were then permitted to take the body to Mrs. Muentner's former home, in Chicago.

Prof. Whitney reported that he had found marked traces of arsenic and District Attorney Sanderson notified the Cambridge police. A warrant for Muentner charging him with the murder of his wife was issued and the Chicago police have been notified to hold the man if he can be found.

## TEXAS TOWN LEVELED.

Thirteen Persons Killed and 600 Are  
Rendered Homeless.

Fort Worth, Tex., April 28.—Thirteen persons were killed and a number seriously injured by a tornado at the little town of Bellevue, Texas. After the storm had razed every business block fire broke out and completed the work of destruction. Only four houses in the place escaped destruction or serious damage. The path of the tornado was eight miles wide.

A carload of provisions has been sent from Fort Worth and tents were forwarded from Wichita Falls. The property loss will probably reach \$200,000.

Sidney Webb, chairman of the relief committee at Bellevue, has asked the Associated Press to give publicity to the following:

"Six hundred of our people are homeless and practically destitute. Thirteen were killed and a number injured. The town is in a heap of ruins, the destruction being complete. Help of every kind is needed and this relief committee appeals to the public for aid. The committee requests that all contributions be forwarded to W. B. Worsham & Co., bankers, Henrietta, Texas."

## NEGOTIATIONS ENDED

Scale Conference at Dubois Splits on  
Open Shop Question

Dubois, Pa., April 28.—The joint scale committee of miners and operators of District No. 2, composed of a dozen counties of Central Pennsylvania, which met at Clearfield, has disagreed and adjourned without date. This means strike in all this region and ends the suspense of several months.

The question of final disagreement was over the "open shop." The operators agreed to pay the 1903 scale but held for the open shop. The miners insisted that they would not work with non-union men. It is stated that the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh interests intend to try to operate their mines with any men who may apply.

## TILLMAN BILL FAVORED.

Prohibits Campaign Contributions by  
Corporations in Certain Cases.

Washington, April 28.—The senate committee on privileges and elections has authorized Senator Foraker to report favorably the Tillman bill to prohibit insurance and other corporations from contributing to campaign funds. The bill was amended by a sub-committee consisting of Senators Foraker, Knox and Bailey, and was made to apply to corporations of all kinds and to all elections for presidential and vice presidential electors, for legislatures where United States senators are to be chosen and for representatives in congress. It makes offending corporations subject to a fine of \$1,000. The measure does not apply to persons receiving contributions.

## DUN'S REVIEW OF TRADE

Summary of Business Conditions  
Throughout the Country.

New York, April 28.—Dun's Weekly Review of Trade says today: "By their magnificent response to the needs of the earthquake sufferers the American people have not only given further evidence of the vast resources of the nation, but displayed qualities of heart and spirit that provide new reasons for optimism regarding the future. San Francisco will arise from its ashes, greater than before, and, aside from some forced selling of securities or temporary pressure in the money market, the nation as a whole will have received no setbacks."

Modified demands by the anthracite coal miners increase the chances of an early settlement of the controversy and otherwise the labor situation is unusually free from friction for this season. Weather conditions are favorable for retail trade and building operations. The crop outlook is bright, although some sections report delay to planting on account of excessive moisture and there is much complaint regarding the scarcity of labor.

A large demand and satisfactory results are anticipated at the sale of wash fabrics next week. Manufacturing plants are working to their full capacity in the leading industries, especially iron and furnace and steel mills, and there is little idle machinery at footwear factories or textile mills. Prices of the 60 most active railway securities declined to the lowest average since last August, and money rules firm, heavy withdrawals by the west offsetting receipts of gold from abroad.

## GAME FAILS THIS TIME

Scheme of Picture Dealer to Pluck  
Schwab Fails Through.

London, April 28.—The suit begun by a picture dealer named Rothschild against Charles M. Schwab of New York for breach of contract was again adjourned in the Kings bench division of the high court of justice after some remarkable evidence had been given.

The plaintiff, in the course of his cross-examination, admitted that he had Constable's picture "Dedham Lock" on "sale or return" for \$4,250. He first asked Mr. Schwab \$26,000 and then \$20,000 for the picture. Ultimately Mr. Schwab offered \$17,000, which was accepted. Thereupon the plaintiff admitted that he had tried to prevail upon owners of the picture to reduce the price to \$3,250. The plaintiff described his letters to Mr. Schwab as "trade bluff."

It also transpired during the hearing that another picture agent became aware of the negotiations for the sales of Constable's picture, saw Towher and offered it to Mr. Schwab for \$10,000, whereupon the latter refused to conclude the arrangement with Rothschild.

Not Worrying.  
Young Wife—I want you to promise me one thing. If we would avoid trouble we must live within our means, and to help me in doing this I want your promise that you will never run in debt. Young Husband—I will promise, my love. If I ever get in debt I'll let the other fellows do the running.

## BASEBALL RESULTS.

Club	W.	L.	Pct.	Club	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	10	3	.770	Phila.	7	6	.538
Pittsburg	7	4	.636	Boston	6	7	.461
Chicago	8	5	.615	Cincinnati	5	11	.313
St. Louis	6	5	.545	Brooklyn	3	10	.231

Friday—New York 3, Philadelphia 1; St. Louis 8, Pittsburg 2; Brooklyn 10, Boston 9; Chicago 7, Cincinnati 6—12 innings.

## American League Standing.

Club	W.	L.	Pct.	Club	W.	L.	Pct.
Phila.	7	4	.636	St. Louis	5	5	.500
Washington	7	4	.636	Cleveland	4	4	.500
Chicago	5	5	.500	New York	4	7	.363
Detroit	5	5	.500	Boston	4	7	.363

Friday—Philadelphia 3, Boston 0; Washington 5, New York 2; St. Louis 10, Chicago 5; Cleveland 7, Detroit 4.

## CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago, April 27.—Liquidation of the May delivery caused weakness today in the wheat market here. At the close the May option was  $\frac{1}{4}$  @  $\frac{1}{2}$ . July corn was up  $\frac{1}{4}$  @  $\frac{1}{2}$ . Oats were practically unchanged. Closing quotations: Wheat, May, 75@75 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; corn, May, 46 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; oats, May, 32 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

## PITTSBURG MARKETS—APRIL 27.

Corn—New yellow shelled, 55@56; new high mixed, 56 $\frac{1}{2}$ @57 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; new yellow ear, 55@59.

Oats—No. 2 white, 37 $\frac{1}{4}$ @37 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; No. 3, 36 $\frac{1}{4}$ @37.

Hay—No. 1 timothy, \$15@15.25; No. 1 clover, \$10.75@11.25; No. 1 mixed, \$11.75@12.25.

Eggs—Selected, 17@18.

Butter—Prints, 24@24 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; tubs, 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ @24; dairy, 15@16.

Cheese—New York full cream, new 13@13 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; Ohio full cream, 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ @13.

Cattle—Prime to fancy, fat, smooth steers, \$5.50@5.75; green, coarse and rough, fat steers, \$4@4.75; fat, smooth, dry fed, light steers, \$4.50@5; choice milch cows, \$4@5; good, fat smooth handy butchers' bulls, \$4@4.50; feeding steers, good style, weight and extra quality, \$3.75@4.50; feed steers, common to good quality, \$3@3.50; fair to choice stockers, \$2.85@3.

Calves—Veals, good to choice, \$5.50@5.75; veals, fair to good, \$5@5.25; heavy and thin calves, \$3@4.

Hogs—Good to prime heavy, \$6.80@6.85; choice medium weights, \$6.90@6.92 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; best heavy Yorkers, \$6.90@6.92 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; good light Yorkers, \$6.75@6.80; pigs, good to prime, \$6.50@6.60.

Sheep and Lambs—Prime wethers, \$4.75@5; good to choice mixed, \$4.50@4.80; fair to good mixed, \$4@4.50; culls and common, \$2@2.50.



## LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Discovered this Week by Independent Investigators.

Canton has raised nearly \$1,100 for the relief of the San Francisco sufferers.

Miss Grace Tobin has taken a position as clerk in C. J. Duncan's jewelry store.

The S. and C. Sewing Circle will meet with Mrs. Edward Christman, in Cecil street, Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Alvin Hill, of Canal Dover, is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Whistler, in Park street.

J. G. W. Wick, of Navarre, went to Brewster on Saturday to put the first telephone connection in the new town.

The Daughters of Rebekah will give a card social in the I. O. O. F. hall Tuesday evening, May 1. The public is invited.

The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad company started several men to work Saturday morning sodding the bank west of the station.

The summer cars of the Canton-Akron railway company were placed in service on the city lines Saturday and will be kept in service during fair weather.

Verdan A. Fawcett, aged 46, despondent over ill health and financial troubles, committed suicide at his home in Uhrichsville, Thursday night, by shooting himself with a shot gun.

Miss Gertrude Pease and John Pease entertained a party of young people at their home, in Akron street, Friday evening. The guests were members of a club which meets every week or two.

A gravel car on the Canton-Akron railway broke away from its leader in Navarre Saturday afternoon, ran down a steep grade and knocked a flat car on the W. & L. E. railroad off its trucks. The gravel was spilled in a heap.

The entertainment given at Buzzard's Glory school house, Friday evening, was a success in every particular. The school was crowded and enthusiasm prevailed from start to finish of the programme. The entertainment will be repeated tonight.

The Elks of Youngstown have decided to give a big carnival at the fair grounds July 26, 27 and 28. The carnival will be put on by a company and will, according to present plans, be one of the biggest things of its kind ever attempted in the Mahoning valley.

A picnic was held at the Blue Clay school house, in District No. 2 of Perry township, Friday afternoon. A literary programme was carried out by the pupils, after which a ball game was played in which several ladies took part. The occasion was the closing of the school for the present term.

Any person desiring tickets for the Firemen's Benefit Fund entertainment may obtain them by telephoning the central engine house, and tickets will be taken to them. Reserved seats may be obtained on and after Wednesday at Bert Hankins' store. The firemen's committee says local pictures will surely be exhibited at the show next Friday and Saturday.

District Attorney Sullivan has practically completed his preparation for the trial of J. Robert Zimmerman, of Wooster, charged with being responsible with L. P. Ohliger, now serving a penitentiary sentence, for the wrecking of the Wooster National bank. The trial of Zimmerman, the last of the big banking cases, will commence May 30 at Cleveland.

Because meter rental of three dollars per year was abolished after a long and bitter fight in council, the Springfield, O., Natural Gas Company gave notice that it would shut off natural gas in that city at the end of ten days. Something like five thousand consumers will be affected. The gas is to be diverted to Dayton, Troy, Piqua and other towns on the line.

Mrs. George Yost entertained a number of guests at her residence, 313 East Main street, Friday evening, in honor of her daughter, Miss Edith Yost, it being the latter's fifteenth birthday anniversary. The table was decorated with clusters of white and pink carnations. The guests were the Misses Lucile Garrett, Berlin Kramer, Bertha Uhlendorf, Ruth Hess, Estelle Goodhart, Arline Snyder and Grace Coleman.

Mrs. Laura Gribble on Saturday received news of her niece, Mrs. Joseph Gillman, formerly Miss Jodi Drake, of Massillon, who was in San Francisco at the time of the earthquake. Mrs. Gillman lives in Sacramento. She had gone up to San Francisco for the opera season. The hotel at which she was stopping was badly shaken and she was prostrated by a false report to the effect that Sacramento had been totally destroyed. Mrs. Gillman is now at home.

Mrs. C. H. Rudolph gave a stag dinner in honor of her husband, Friday evening at 6 o'clock, at their residence 181 East Main street. The table was decorated with clusters of pink sweet peas and candles under pink shades. Ropes of smilax were festooned over the chandelier and table. The guests numbered sixteen. Progressive pedro was played in the evening. The first prize was won by E. F. Babney and the second by Dr. D. S. Gardner.

## WEDDING AT REEDURBAN.

Well Known Young People Married Wednesday Evening.

Canton, April 26.—Miss Bessie E. Jolly and Niles O. Bordner, both of Reedurban, were united in marriage Wednesday evening at 6:30 at the home of the Rev. C. W. Recard, 500 North Newton street. They were attended by Miss Audella Bordner, sister of the groom, and Per Lee Snyder, of Massillon. Immediately after the ceremony the bridal party went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Jolly, parents of the bride, in Reedurban, where friends to the number of thirty-five had gathered to extend their congratulations and good wishes. The house was decorated with flowers and ferns. A wedding supper was served. The young couple received many beautiful presents. They will be at home to their friends in Reedurban. The groom is the son of Frank J. Bordner, a farmer of the same neighborhood.

## RINK—FENTON.

A Wedding at St. Joseph's Rectory Wednesday Night.

Miss Catherine Kink, of Rhodes, and Walter J. Fenton, of this city, were married at 7 o'clock Wednesday evening by the Rev. F. B. Doherty, of St. Joseph's church, at the latter's residence in South East street. Miss Margaret Hunt, of Fremont, was the bridesmaid, Thomas Fenton, of this city, best man. The bride wore a gown of steel gray broadcloth, with hat to match. The bridesmaid wore a costume of sage green. After the ceremony the bridal party was driven to the bride's home at Rhodes, where supper was served. Many handsome presents were received by the young couple. Mr. and Mrs. Fenton left Thursday evening for a brief honeymoon trip. On their return they will live in Summit street, where a newly furnished home awaits them.

## GRAVINS—WEFLER.

A Marriage by the Rev. J. E. Digel Thursday Evening.

Miss Louisa Gravins, living two or three miles south of Canton, and Franklin J. Wefler, of near Pigeon Run, were married at St. John's parsonage by the Rev. J. E. Digel Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. The bride and groom were accompanied by Samuel D. Wefler, the groom's brother, and Miss Lilah Luella Zimmer, of Massillon. Mr. and Mrs. Wefler will live on the Christian Wefler farm, near Pigeon Run, to which home they went after the ceremony and were given a royal reception by many friends.

## CANTON GETS THE MONEY

Road from Massillon Will Not be Improved.

The believers in improved roads received sad news Saturday from Columbus to the effect that the state highway commission has ruled that all the money given to a county through the state's aid plan shall be used in improving a single highway.

The trustees of Canton township submitted their request for state aid first to the county commissioners and Canton township will receive all of the \$1,700 from the state this year for road improvement. This means that the Navarre road beginning at the Massillon corporation line will not be improved this year.

## DIRECTORS CHOSEN.

Park Association Officers Were Also Elected.

The Massillon Park Association Company met in the mayor's office Friday evening and elected the following directors: H. F. Rider, George Curley, W. L. Bechtel, Frank A. Vogt, William A. Pietzcker, Elmer Gleitsman and William B. Martin.

The directors elected the following officers: F. A. Vogt, president; Elmer Gleitsman, vice president; H. F. Rider, secretary, and W. L. Bechtel, treasurer.

## SUNDAY GAMES BARRED.

Indianapolis, April 28.—(By Associated Press.)—The American Association management announces that there will be no more Sunday base ball games in this city, owing to the enforcement of the Sunday law.

HARMONIOUS COMBINATIONS. Of colors are easily secured with Green Seal Liquid Paints. They are made in 46 different tints and shades. For sale by Hawk Hardware Co.

Itch! Itch! Itch!—Scratch! Scratch! Scratch! The more you scratch the worse the itch. Try Doan's Ointment. It cures piles, eczema, any skin itching. All druggists sell it.

WHEN YOU PAINT THE HOUSE See that the work is done with Green Seal—you'll profit by it, so will the house. For sale by Hawk Hardware Co.

To feel strong, have good appetite and digest food, sleep soundly, and enjoy life, use Burdock Blood Bitters, the great system tonic and builder.

## PETITION FOR NAVARRE ROAD

One Mile of Improved Highway is Desired.

## THE TRUSTEES RECOMMEND IT.

The State Highway Commission Will Receive Notice from the County Commissioners of the Trustees' Action.

At a special meeting of the Perry township trustees in their office, Wednesday afternoon, they decided to recommend to the county commissioners that a sample mile of improved highway be constructed through the state aid plan on the road running between Massillon and Navarre. The sample road is to commence at the corporate limits of Massillon and extend one mile without interruption.

The trustees had been furnished with a blank petition which was filled out at once and sent to the commissioners in the evening. The commissioners will send the petition to the state highway commission at Columbus, which will have final jurisdiction in granting or refusing the request. According to the statute governing the good roads movement for this year, the petition must be in the hands of the state officials by April 30. For this reason prompt action was taken Wednesday in getting the petition in the hands of the commissioners.

The trustees did not decide upon the road to be improved until the township situation had been thoroughly discussed. A number of citizens were at the meeting and expressed a desire to have the trustees decide to build the sample mile on the Canton-Massillon road, beginning at the corporate limits of Massillon. The arguments advanced were that the road is one of the most traveled and the location would be such that all persons interested in good roads could easily see the sample mile after constructed.

Clark A. Metzger, who has been interested in the good roads movement from the start, and who introduced the original good roads bill in the general assembly several years ago, spoke against this. His argument was that the sample mile should be built more for the accommodation of farmers than pleasure seekers. He argued that the residents of the Canton road had a means of entering Massillon when the roads were impassable, while there are residents of other roads that are forced to walk to town or stay at home when the roads are bad. He told the trustees he had no recommendation to make as to a selection of any piece of road, but was opposed to improving the Canton road, which was passable practically the entire year.

The trustees withdrew from the room and after consulting over the question fifteen minutes returned and announced that they had selected the Navarre road for recommendation.

All those present congratulated the trustees upon their selection and each promised to give all assistance in their power. The meeting brought forth the statement that the great desire was better roads, no matter where located. It is the understanding of those interested that the sample mile of road is but the beginning of the movement. It is hoped that the improved road will show so much benefit that in a few years the county will feel inclined to issue bonds for several thousand dollars to build at least one hundred miles of improved road.

Should the state highway commission decide to build the improved road, the state will pay twenty-five per cent, the county fifty per cent and the township twenty-five per cent of the cost.

George A. Brissel, of Canton, attended the meeting and said that a petition had already been prepared asking for an improved road from the first bridge south of North Industry through the Narrows to the intersection of the road to Howenstein. Mr. Brissel said that as far as he had learned these two petitions were the only ones thus far contemplated.

Stark county will receive \$1,704 from the state, its share of an appropriation of \$150,000. This amount is to be used this year. The money not asked for by the several counties will revert to the state treasury. Nothing more can be done by the township trustees or the commissioners after they send the petition to the state. The state highway commission will have full charge. The improved road will not be built by the National Good Roads Association. The present plan is entirely an Ohio plan, with co-operation in the work by the state, county, township and property owners to be benefited.

## GREEN SEAL SPREADS.

It covers a greater surface satisfactorily than any other paint on the market. Try it and be convinced. For sale by Hawk Hardware Co.

## CHEESE FACTORY ROBBED.

Louisville Man Claims Goods Were Taken to Canton.

Canton, April 28.—John Martig, of Louisville, called at the police station Saturday morning and reported a robbery which occurred at his place of business sometime between Friday evening and Saturday morning. Martig is a manufacturer of Schweitzer cheese. He says that his place was entered and that between ten and fifteen large blocks of cheese, and five or six large round cheese, weighing about one hundred pounds each were taken. This cheese had been cured and was ready for the market and he is of the opinion that the thieves who took it came toward Canton, using a wagon to transport it.

Trustees of Canton and Pike townships and the county commissioners met with Samuel Huston, state commissioner of highways, and the party went over the "Narrows" on the Canton-North Industry road, which will be improved by the sum received from the state apportionment, amounting to \$1,709, "in connection with an additional fifty per cent given by the county, twenty-five per cent by the township, and the remainder by abutting property owners.

Mrs. William Cameron, formerly a resident of Canton, died at her home in Dalton, Friday evening, after a short illness. She was 70 years old and leaves two sons, Ira, living at 1007 West Tenth street, Canton, and Glen, who is at present in Montana. Her husband died three years ago. Funeral and interment will be held in Dalton.

Judge Harter did not hand down his decision in the case of Frank Stevens, whose attorneys had asked for a new trial, in common pleas court Saturday morning, as was expected, but his decision will be given Monday.

## OBITUARY.

## MRS. CAROLINE ANZLOVER

Mrs. Caroline Anzlover, aged 25 years, wife of Joseph Anzlover, died at her home, 27 Columbus street, at 12 o'clock Friday evening. Death was due to lockjaw, the deceased having stepped on a rusty nail the latter part of last week. The funeral will take place from St. Mary's church at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning. The Rev. M. Vollmayer officiating. Interment will be made in St. Mary's cemetery. The deceased is survived by her husband, Joseph Anzlover, who is employed as a core maker at the plant of the Massillon Iron & Steel Company. Mrs. Anzlover was born in Germany and came to this country about twenty-three years ago.

## NEARBY TOWNS.

## WILMOT.

Wilmot, April 28.—Miss Winnie Longenecker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Longenecker, of Wilmot, and Mr. James Dauphin, of Philadelphia, Pa., were married at 12 o'clock Saturday at the home of the bride's parents in the presence of a small party of guests. The wedding breakfast was served immediately after the ceremony, and later in the afternoon the bride and groom left for their wedding trip.

## BLOCKADED.

Every Household in Massillon Should Know How to Resist It.

The back aches because the kidneys are blocked. Help the kidneys with their work. The back will ache no more. Lots of proof that Doan's Kidney Pills do this.

It's the best proof, for it comes from Massillon. J. E. Clark, of 54 Mill street, Civil War Vet, says: "Some time in the summer of 1900 I procured Doan's Kidney Pills at Balzly's drug store and found them most efficient in relieving me. I can just as confidently recommend them to day as I did when I first allowed my opinion to be expressed through our Massillon papers. I have had recurrences during the time that has elapsed and it is a pleasure to know of a remedy that can be depended upon when such recurrences take place. I have friends who have used them and who think there is nothing like Doan's Kidney Pills as a cure for backache."

For sale by a dealer Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

## Derivation of Phrases.

Next to Shakespeare we draw most profusely from the Bible for terse expressions, Proverbs and Ecclesiastes furnishing the larger proportion from the Old Testament and St. Paul's epistles from the New. Milton, though far behind these two great sources of English speech, gives us more familiar expressions than any other writer after them. From him we have learned to speak of "a dim religious light," and "sanctity of reason," of "adding fuel to the flames," of "tempering justice with mercy," of the "busy hum of men," "the light fantastic toe" (that boon to provincial reporters) and the "neat handed Phyllis." Chaucer, though rich in material for quotation, has given us no pithy phrases, but from Spenser, who sang of him as the "well of English undefiled," we get "nor rhyme nor reason," "by hook or crook," "sweet attractive grace" and "through thick and thin."—Chambers' Journal.

## Notice!

To township trustees and physicians. The board of infirmity directors will meet at their office in the court house on the 10th day of May, 1906, from 9 o'clock a. m. till 2 p. m., for the purpose of hiring physicians for the township of Stark county to serve one year and to furnish all medicines and surgical treatment for the indigent sick of each township. Bids must be sent to the secretary, Box 480, Canton, O., or be presented by the trustees of the township of which the bid is made. The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Chas. E. Jarvis, secretary.

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## INDEPENDENT WANT COLUMNS.

Articles lost and found, houses to let or desired, help wanted, situations wanted, real estate bulletins and kindred announcements are more certain to produce results if advertised under this head than by any other means. Copy must be in not later than 10 a. m. to insure insertion the same day. Three publications of not more than four lines, 25 cents.

## FOR RENT.

BUSINESS ROOMS—One room 40x22 feet, one from office room 13x15; one office 2x18, and one 20x10 on second floor; all with heat in new independent building. Inquire at Independent office.

FIVE roomed house on Water street. Inquire 101 W. Main street.

HOUSE—A small cottage house, N. Grant street; gas and city water. Inquire at 56 N. Grant street.

HOUSE—A 6 room house at 75 N. Mill; gas, city water and well water. Possession given at once. Inquire of Geo. W. Heinrich, 79 N. Mill; Farmers phone 64.

LAND—20 acres of good land for farming, adjoining Shively heirs property, S. Erie St. Inquire of J. J. Diehlman, Diehlman's clothing store.

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